

PART TEXT OF PLATFORM

As Adopted by the Convention Yesterday

TELLS PARTY'S HISTORY

Party Reaches Highest Service Under Leadership of Pres. Theodore Roosevelt

MIGHTY PROGRESS IS MADE

Under the Guidance of the Great Republican Party the American People Become the Wealthiest Nation in All the World.

CHICAGO, June 18.—The text of the platforms adopted by the committee on resolutions is as follows:

Once more the republican party, in national convention assembled, submit its cause to the people. This great historic organization that destroyed slavery, preserved the union, restored credit, expended the national domain, established a sound financial system, developed the industries and resources of the country and gave to the nation her seat of honor in the councils of the world now meets the new problem of government with the same courage and capacity with which it solved the old.

In this the greatest era of American advancement the republican party has reached its highest service under the leadership of Theodore Roosevelt. His administration is an epoch in American history. In no other period since national sovereignty was won under Washington or preserved under Lincoln has there been such mighty progress in those ideals of government which make for justice, equality and fair dealing among men. The highest aspirations of the American people have found a voice. Their most exalted servant represents the best aims and worthiest purposes of all his countrymen. American manhood has been lifted to a nobler sense of duty and obligation. Conscience and courage in public station and high standards of right and wrong in public and private life have become cardinal principles of political faith. Capital and labor have been brought into closer relations of confidence and inter-dependence and the abuse of wealth, the tyranny of power and all the evils of privilege and favoritism have been put to scorn by the simple, manly virtues of justice and fair play.

The great accomplishments of President Roosevelt have been first and foremost a brave and impartial enforcement of the laws; the prosecution of illegal trusts and monopolies; the exposure and punishment of evil doers in the public service; the more effective regulation of their rates and the service of the great transportation lines; the complete overthrow of preferences, rebates and discriminations; the arbitration of labor disputes; the amelioration of the wood workers everywhere; the conservation of the national resources of the country; the forward step in the improvement of the inland waterways; and always the earnest support and defense of every wholesome safeguard which has made more secure the guarantees of life, liberty and property.

These are the achievements that will make for Theodore Roosevelt his place in history but more than all else the great things he has done will be an inspiration to those who have yet greater things to do. We declare our unflinching adherence to the policies thus inaugurated and pledge their continuance under the republican principles the American people have become the richest nation in the world. Our wealth in the world today exceeds that of England and all of her colonies, that of France and Germany combined. When the republican party was born the total wealth of the country was \$16,000,000. It has leaped to \$110,000,000,000 in a generation while Great Britain has but \$60,000,000,000 in 500 years.

The United States now owns one-fourth of the world's wealth and makes one-third of all modern manufactured products. In the greatness of civilization such as coal, the motive power of all activity, iron, the chief basis of all industry; cotton, the staple foundation of all fabrics; wheat, corn and all the agricultural products that feed mankind, Ameri-

ca's supremacy is undisputed, and yet her great natural wealth has scarcely been touched. We have a vast domain of 300,000,000 square miles, literally bursting with latent treasure, still waiting the magic of capital and industry to be converted to the practical uses of mankind; a country rich in soil and climate, in the unharnessed energy of its rivers and in all the varied products of the field, the forest and the factory. With gratitude for God's bounty; with pride in the splendid productiveness of the past and with confidence in the plenty and prosperity of the future, the republican party declares for the principle that in the development and enjoyment of wealth so great and blessings so bountiful there shall be equal opportunity for all. Nothing so clearly demonstrates the sound basis upon which our commercial industrial and agricultural interests are founded and the necessity of promoting the present continued welfare through the operation of republican policies as the recent safe passage of the American people through a financial disturbance which if appearing in the midst of democratic rule or the menace of it might have equalled the familiar democratic panics of the past. We congratulate the people upon this renewed appearance of American supremacy and the signs now manifest a restoration of business prosperity in all lines of trade, commerce and manufacturing.

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WAS GREAT SPEECH

Senator Burton Nominates War Secretary

STRONG AND ABLE SPEECH

Calls William H. Taft a Perfect Type of American Manhood, a Peerless Leader, and Representative of the Noblest Ideals in Our National Life

Following is the great speech made by Senator Burton yesterday in placing Secretary Taft in nomination:

This convention enters upon the grave responsibility of selecting a presidential candidate with the serene assurance that the Republican party will continue to rule this people. What assembled multitude in any land has ever pointed the way to such beneficent results for home and for the progress of the whole human race, as the recurring conventions of this grand organization? Yet we do not rely alone upon the record of that which is accomplished. We em-

From this citizenship Ohio, in the supreme emergency of the Civil War, sent forth more than two hundred thousand soldiers for our country's defense, a formidable array easily surpassing in numbers the world-conquering legions of imperial Caesar, and even larger than any army ever mustered by Britain for the tented field. But transcendent above all is the fact that Ohio is one of a matchless union of States linked together in everlasting bonds of amity and constituting an empire wonderful in power and almost immeasurable in extent. Each sovereign State alone would occupy but a subordinate place in the great current of the world's events, but when represented by one of forty-six bright stars on a field of stainless blue, every one forms part of an emblem of union and of strength more beautiful far than the most brilliant constellation in the heavens.

The most perplexing questions of today arise from the bountiful development of our material wealth. Such a development can not occur without the creation of inequalities and dangers to the social fabric. I most strenuously deny that the American business man or the American citizen cherishes lower standards than the citizens of any other country. The American people are by no means depraved. But by reason of their busy absorption in varied pursuits and of the glamour which attends success in

Who so fit to take up the tasks which this wondrous generation demands should be wisely and impartially performed as his great War Secretary? Since the day when, in Benjamin Harrison's administration, these two first met,—the one as Solicitor General, the other as a member of the Civil Service Commission,—they have been bound together by like ideals and aims, by close ties of friendship, and by the exchange of mutual counsel, each with his own individuality and characteristics keeping constantly in view the ennobling vision of better and a greater America. They have not been satisfied that the Temple of Prosperity should be decked alone by the jewels of the fortunate and the opulent, but have insisted that it should still more abound in trophies which commemorate the enforcement of even-handed justice and the maintenance of that equal opportunity which spreads hope and blessing even to the humblest home. Since the day when, less than thirty years of age, Mr. Taft denounced, with burning words, a member of his profession who had been guilty of flagrantly vicious practice and had demoralized the community, he has ever been associated with the cause of true reform—with that reform which will not content itself with academic dissertation or hollow words. He has been imbued with the spirit of action. His advocacy of sound conditions is a part of himself. It has

SEAWALL CHRONICLES OF INTEREST

ANOTHER PROMINENT CITIZEN OFFERS MEATY CONCLUSIONS IN REGARD TO THE LEADING ENTERPRISE AFOOT IN THIS CITY.

The Morning Astorian is pleased to offer the following interesting statement anent this very popular subject, from one of the leading proprietary citizens of Astoria, who is qualified in all ways to express an opinion which is entitled to consideration and respect; and it will be glad, at all time, to receive just such discursive communications from any and all, who may speak "by the card":

"Astoria, Or., June 18, 1908.
"To the Editor of the Astorian:
"A few days ago I noticed a report made by Mr. A. M. Smith and Mr. Abercrombie on the seawall proposition in which they gave some figures saying what it would cost, but they did not state whether it was an engineer's estimate or an expert's, so I presume it was their own estimate.

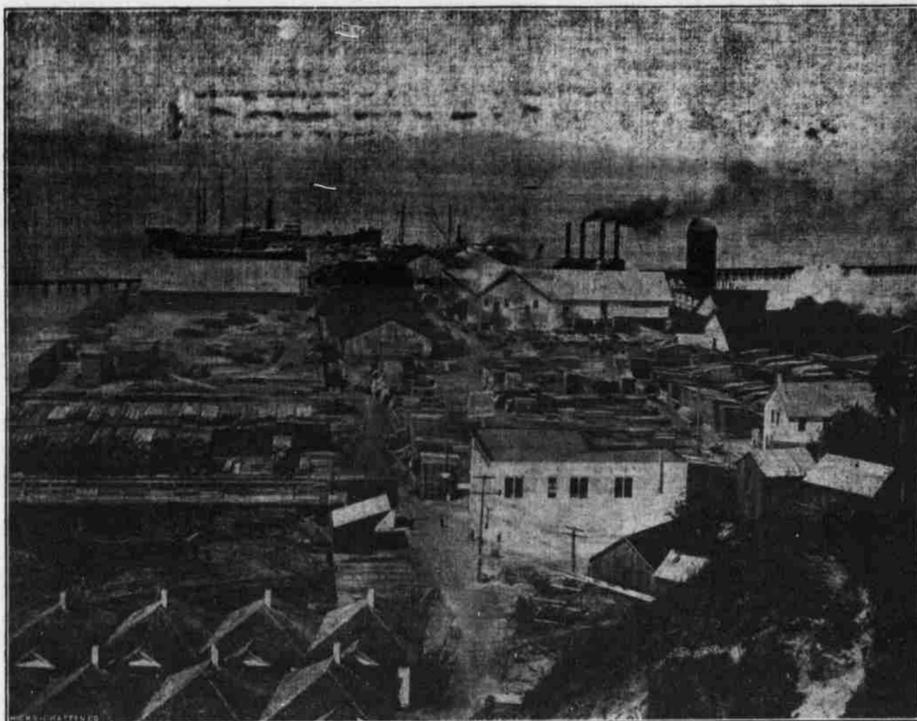
"It is well known by everybody that the seawall is only a part of the proposition; if the seawall is built, we would have to at once fill up the tide flats and streets inside of the seawall, as this would be necessary for sanitary protection.

"After talking with two engineers who understand that kind of work, I have been told by them that the building of the seawall and the filling in of the tide flats and streets inside would incur an enormous expense, which, considering the values of the property at the present time, would practically result in confiscating the property.

"The benefits claimed for the project are the permanency of the work; I do not think that any property holder would object to the work if we had a population sufficiently large to make the property valuable enough to pay for the work, and it seems to me, before we attempt to carry on a large proposition of this kind, we ought to wait until we have more population. Even if the work were all completed as proposed, it wouldn't bring a dollar more into the town.

"It is claimed by many, that if the fill were made that the property would be enhanced in value, but I believe they will find that more depends upon the location than this proposed fill, as lots near the postoffice are of less value than those in the tide flats. I know that nine-tenths of the property holders who will have to pay for the seawall, do not want it at the present time, for the reason that it would take their property to pay for the improvement, and I understand that this improvement is wanted by a minority of people who will not have to bear the burden of paying for it. Respectfully submitted,
"C. G. FLAVEL"

TONGUE POINT MILLS SOLD



Definite announcement was made at a late hour last night of the formal sale of the Tongue Point Lumber Company's property to A. B. Hammond. The consideration was not stated. It was also said by Mr. Hume, who announced the transfer, that Mr. Hammond would take possession of the property at once. That the sale would be made has been rumored for several days past, as has been stated in the Astorian, but no formal corroboration of the matter could be obtained. The announcement made last night to The Astorian definitely settles the matter, and many will be glad to know that Mr. Hammond, a man who is known to be of a very progressive spirit, has secured possession of the property.

PERSONAL MENTION

Rev. William Seymour Short and Mrs. Frank Spittle who are visiting in the east are expected to arrive in this city next Sunday.

F. O. Afield Jr. of New York City was in the city yesterday the guest of friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. Welch.

John McGuire, superintendent of the A. & C. Railway, is in the city on a business trip.

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phasize, even more, its supreme qualification to solve the problems of the present.

It is especially appropriate that this gathering should be held in this marvelous city of Chicago, whence the steel bands of commerce reach out in every direction, over plain and river and mountains, to almost boundless distance, bringing the richest treasures of a continent to lay them at your feet. Here it was that the righteous uprising against slavery and Bourbonism, sprung from the nation's conscience, raised its first triumphant voice when Abraham Lincoln was nominated. And here, again, with notes of thunderous acclaim, enraptured throngs greeted the naming of Garfield, of Blain, of Harrison, and of Roosevelt.

Again Ohio presents a candidate to the National Republican Convention. In seven stubbornly contested presidential campaigns, sons of her sacred soil have led the embattled Republican hosts to victory. The Buckeye State has assuredly contributed her share of statesmen and generals for the upbuilding of the Nation. But that of which we are prouder still is her stalwart citizens—the mightiest bulwark of the Republican in every commonwealth—made up of America's free yeomen, ever ready to respond to the tocsin of alarm in days of peril, or to crush corruption whenever it raises its menacing head.

great undertakings, questionable methods have been able to engraft themselves upon the business of the country. High rewards have too frequently been gained by some who are none too scrupulous. Monopoly, dishonesty and fraud have assumed a prominence which calls for the earnest attention and condemnation of every man who truly loves the Republic.

Against all these abuses and in the work for restoring old ideals of honesty and equality, as well as for higher standards of civic duty, one man has stood preeminent, and that man is Theodore Roosevelt. Against corruption in every form he has set his face with grim determination, prompt and fearless in action and with that intelligent leadership which has assured the establishment of a better era in which the strong and the weak alike must submit themselves to the impartial execution of the law. There was need of a strong, courageous spirit to restrain those destructive forces which have asserted themselves in this time of growth and plenty. The story of his achievements will make up one of the brightest pages in the history of this or any age and will prove that today, as in any critical hour of social unrest or of danger, the man will appear who can grapple with the emergency.

always been based upon unswerving integrity and the courage to speak the truth, as he understands it, on all occasions, no matter how influential or powerful the evils which he may attack.

No one has ever yet assumed the presidential chair who had received a more ideal preparation for the duties of that great office. As Judge in State and Federal courts, as Solicitor General, as Governor of the Philippines, as Secretary of War, which has included the work of Colonial Secretary and Director of National Public Works, he has received his training and has always shown himself master of the situation and competent to make more honorable and beloved the American name. There have been no years of inaction in his career. He has been continuously engaged in weighty tasks and each successive service has been characterized by an increasing influence upon most vital questions.

In the larger sphere of world politics, we are entering into new and closer bonds with all the nations of the earth. Who is better qualified than he to lead America to her true position in this later day when the boundaries established in the centuries past are becoming less distinct and kingdoms and races are beginning to realize that they have all one common destiny? Secretary Taft has exceptional

PERSONAL MENTION

L. F. Buck, traveling representative for the Portland Flouring Mills was in the city yesterday on business for his company, and incidentally took in the great Philharmonic concert last evening to his complete enjoyment.